

ORDINANCE NO. 04-2016
AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 37, GREEN INITIATIVES
OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright strives to save tax dollars, assure clean air and water, protect ecological resources, improve working and living environments to build a community that is sustainable economically, environmentally and socially; a community which will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright wish to build a model of government which benefits our residents and business community now and far into the future with green community initiatives which are easy to replicate and affordable to implement; and

WHEREAS, in an attempt to focus attention on such "Green" issues, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright previously enacted Resolution # 43-2015 which created a Green Team for the Borough known as "Sustainable Sea Bright"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright now wish to make its "Sustainable Sea Bright" Green Team a permanent advisory committee on sustainable practices for the Borough; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sea Bright that the Code of the Borough of Sea Bright shall be amended so as to create a new Chapter 37 which shall be titled "Green Initiatives" and read as follows:

SECTION ONE:

§ 37-1 Establishment:

"Sustainable Sea Bright" is hereby established as a permanent advisory committee to the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright.

§ 37-2 Purpose:

The general purpose of the permanent Sustainable Sea Bright advisory committee shall include but not be limited to advising and making recommendations to the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright as to improved municipal operations by way of "green" initiatives which are economically and environmentally sound as demonstrated through research and evaluation.

§ 37-3 Definitions

All references to "committee" within Chapter 37, unless otherwise stated, shall refer to the permanent "Sustainable Sea Bright" advisory committee.

§ 37-4 Powers and Duties:

The powers and duties of the committee shall be:

- (A) Collaborate with Borough employees, service providers and other governmental agencies to share resource information and ideas consistent with the purpose of the committee;
- (B) Encourage participation of all borough employees, borough residents and borough businesses toward the solicitation of ideas for and engagement in projects working toward green initiatives
- (C) Research and analyze green initiatives which make practical and environmental and financial sense;
- (D) Manage Sea Bright's participation in the Sustainable Jersey program and facilitate the Borough's path toward full certification from that organization;
- (E) Make all information of the committee available to the public by way of keeping minutes of all committee meetings and maintaining records of all committee activities;
- (F) Advise and make recommendations to the Mayor and Borough Council on matters affecting "green" initiatives;
- (G) Develop strategies for sustainable "green" initiatives in municipal operations;
- (H) Seek to coordinate, assist, and unify the efforts of private groups, institutions, and individuals within the Borough of Sea Bright in accord with the purposes of this chapter;
- (I) Maintain a liaison and communication with the public, private agencies and organizations of local, state, and national scope, whose programs and activities have an impact on "green" initiatives;
- (J) Leverage the skills and expertise of committee members to develop plans, implement programs, and assist with educational opportunities that support the creation of a sustainable community;
- (K) Carry out such other duties as may be assigned to the committee from time to time by the Mayor and Borough Council.

§ 37-5 Membership and Term of Office:

- (A) The Membership of the Committee shall be appointed annually and initially consist of the following eleven (11) individuals:
- (i) The Borough Clerk, who shall act as the Chairman of the Committee
 - (ii) The Mayor of the Borough of Sea Bright
 - (iii) A Borough Council Member to be chosen by the Council
 - (iv) A second Borough Council Member to be chosen by the Council
 - (v) A member of the Borough Planning Board to be chosen by the Planning Board
 - (vi) The Superintendent of Public Works
 - (vii) The Borough's Public Safety Director
 - (viii) The Borough's Elected Representative on the Regional Board of Education
 - (ix) A citizen of the Borough of Sea Bright to be chosen by the Mayor
 - (x) A representative of a business located within the Borough of Sea Bright to be chosen by the Mayor
 - (xi) An individual of the Mayor's choosing, who will best serve to effectuate the goals of this Ordinance.
- (B) The eleven members of the committee stated in paragraph (A) of this section may be changed by a Resolution of the Borough Council, however under no circumstances may that membership fall below the number of eleven (11) or consist of an even number.

§ 37-6 Meetings:

The committee shall meet monthly. Additional meetings of the committee may be scheduled by the Chair at his/her discretion. Minutes of all meetings shall be kept by the committee's secretary who may or may not be a member of the committee. All minutes shall be kept on file in the Borough Clerk's office.

A quorum at any meeting of the committee shall be reached with the attendance of at least five (5) members of the committee.

The committee may also establish such other rules and procedures as may be necessary for its proper functioning, including, but certainly not limited to, the creation and disbanding of such subcommittees as it deems appropriate.

§ 37-7 Annual report:

The committee shall be required to file an annual report of its activities and achievements with the Mayor and Borough Council. The annual report may also include recommendations to the Mayor and Borough Council as may be necessary to fulfill the purposes of this Ordinance.

§ 37-8 Severability:

If any section, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the specific section, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION TWO: All Ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION THREE: This Ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

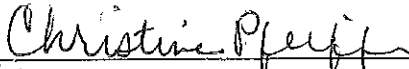
I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true and correct Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, introduced on February 16, 2016 and will be further considered after a Public Hearing held on March 1, 2016 at the Municipal Building at 7 pm.

INTRODUCED: February 16, 2016


PUBLIC HEARING: March 1, 2016

ADOPTED: March 1, 2016

Witness


CHRISTINE PFEIFFER, CLERK

BOROUGH OF SEA BRIGHT,


DINA LONG, Mayor